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Photo : David B. Marshall  
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Location: Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge  
Legend : Nihoa millerbird on nest in shrubby growth  
of Chenapodium sandwicheum and Sida fallax near sum-  
mit of Miller's Peak on Nihoa. This bird is found on  
Nihoa's 146 acres and no where else in the world. It  
is hoped to establish the species on another island  
of the refuge. This may be the first nest of this

bird found on Nihoa. It contained one egg which  
was being incubated by two individuals presumably  
male and female. Another form of the millerbird,  
considered by some to be a different species, was  
formerly present on Laysan and is now extinct. It  
can be said that this is one of the rarest birds in  
the world and even on Nihoa it is not very abundant.